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Illustrious Noble George M. Hendee, Chairman Board of
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Greetings to the Potentate, Officers and Nobles of Aleppo Temple:

DO you know that as members of the Mystic Shrine you are aiding and taking part in the greatest humanitarian work ever undertaken in the history of the World?

For more than fifty years the Shrine was called the "Playground of Masonry". Now it is not only that, retaining as it does all its old fraternal spirit, all its fun and display but it also stands out before the world as a shining example of a true charity in giving relief through its fifteen Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children to thousands of little sufferers that would not be aided otherwise.

These Hospitals are open to any crippled child in need of orthopedic treatment without regard to creed, color or nationality who can meet the following conditions: Age limit for admission, fourteen years; normal mentality; possibility of improving condition and WHOSE PARENTS ARE UNABLE TO PAY. The object being to benefit helpless humanity, to prevent possible pauperism, to turn wealth consumers into wealth producers and to exemplify Masonic Principles.

Shriners' Hospitals are an absolute charity, taking no pay patients and are supported by your assessment of \$2.00 per year and the donations and bequests left by Nobles and friends.

A MESSAGE
from
ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE
George M. Hendee
Chairman
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
SPRINGFIELD UNIT
SHRINERS' HOSPITALS
for
CRIPPLED CHILDREN



Nobles, how many of you reading these lines have visited one of these Hospitals and learned first hand the true nature of the work in which you are engaged? You owe it to yourself to make this investigation. The Springfield Unit, your nearest Hospital, invites you. Bring the ladies as they always get great pleasure in seeing and coming in contact with the children. Sixty happy youngsters always in the Hospital and a long waiting list even after ten years of continued service to spur us on.

Your Hospital is open to you at any reasonable hour, any day in the week. It is founded in love and maintained by human sympathy for its guiding purpose is to fulfill the wish of every crippled child crying for relief.

The uplift to humanity which the Mystic Shrine is doing in this great Hospital movement cannot be measured in dollars and cents or by any other standard. When once you become familiar with the benefits you are furnishing to these little suffering bits of humanity, you will raise your voice in praise that you are a Shriner, to Him who said "In as much as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto Me."

Sincerely yours in the Faith,

George M. Hendee

This is a *Family*

A Sunday Pilgrimage to the Shriners' Hospital for



The Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children at

EVERY Mohammedan is expected to make a pilgrimage to Mecca at least once in a lifetime. EVERY Shriner, his family and his friends should make a visit to see the Crippled Children at least once in a lifetime and you are most cordially invited now. Children under eighteen years of age are not permitted to go through the Hospital.

This is ALEPO'S DAY to inspect what great work is being done by the Shriners. Once seen, never forgotten.

Sunday Afternoon, July 21st

Unless there is an easterly storm and if so we will go the following Sunday, July 28th.

Visiting hours, for this day, at the Hospital will be from One to Four o'clock P.M. Plan to have your lunch enroute so as to arrive at the Hospital before One o'clock.

At Two o'clock (weather permitting) the children will be wheeled out onto the parapet in front of the lawn. From Two to Two Forty-Five o'clock our famous Aleppo Shrine Band will give an open air concert and from Two Forty-Five to Three o'clock the Degree Staff will perform before the children dressed as clowns, mickey mouse, etc.

Visitors at the Hospital are asked not to bring candy or anything to eat or drink for the children but the children do love to get balloons that they blow up and tie themselves; also noise makers such as are used in night clubs and they can also get a lot of entertainment out of scrap books containing pictures interesting to children.

Event for July

Crippled Children at Springfield, Massachusetts



516 Carew Street, Springfield, Massachusetts

The Springfield Hospital is but eighty-eighty miles from Aleppo Temple over excellent roads. These directions may sound complicated but you will find it very simple.

Directions

As you enter Springfield on Boston Road after passing first traffic lights in Springfield pass "Sam's Diner" and "Joyland" then turn immediate right (3/10 mile beyond traffic lights) into Pasco Road, route 20A.

6/10 mile on Pasco Road turn left into Page Boulevard.

After going 7/10 mile cross (double trolley tracks) Berkshire Ave.

Continue straight ahead following single trolley track, route 20A on Page Boulevard.

Passing Westinghouse Plant and WBZA Broadcasting Station 2 2/10 miles on left continuing straight ahead following double trolley tracks through East Springfield then pick up single trolley track straight ahead on St. James Boulevard. Cross at traffic light and follow single trolley track straight ahead through Carew Street to Shriners' Hospital.

Pass Hospital and turn into Melha Avenue (first street right). Drive around to vacant lot rear of hospital and park your car. To take trip through Hospital enter from Melha Avenue entrance "Out-Patient Entrance", west end of Hospital.

Police officers will be stationed at each doubtful point, to direct you. Wear your fez when entering Springfield so that you may get the courtesies of the road.

You will notice that this issue of our magazine is devoted entirely to the Crippled Children, hoping that our members and ladies and their friends will join us with their presence on this great day.

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**"Suffer Little Children
To Come Unto Me,—"**

IF there is one person in this world who deserves praise for his work in the interest of the crippled child, it is Noble George M. Hendee, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Springfield Unit of the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children. Noble Hendee who retired from active business some years ago, was one of the prime movers in locating the New England Unit of the Shrine Hospital in that city.

Since the laying of the corner stone of that institution in 1925, he has given freely of his time and finances to assist in bringing to the unfortunate crippled children the sunshine and happiness they probably would not have otherwise known. Noble Hendee who is a Past Potentate of Melha Temple, spends his entire time at the Hospital giving his services in this beneficent work.

This Hospital is also most fortunate in having another remarkable Noble in its service, in Chief Surgeon R. Nelson Hatt. The wonderful work this Doctor has performed is known throughout the medical world. He is one of the most successful orthopedic doctors and surgeons in the country today, and has performed operations upon children that have seemed miraculous.

We are most fortunate in New England to have such a combination as Noble Hendee and Noble Doctor Hatt located in the same Hospital. These two men are "partners" in the work of rebuilding crippled bodies and they well know how to perform their duties.

We sincerely hope that they may be spared for many years to come so that they may continue their great philanthropic work which they live for and love so well.

A Trip to Shrinedom -- The Playground for Masons

By Potentate Clarence J. McKenzie

LET us picture ourselves in the land of Make Believe, and Masonry as a powerful smooth functioning locomotive coupled to a train named Shrine, which we now board for a little trip to Toy Town in the state of Shrinedom.

Upon arrival there we go to their hospitable tavern and satisfy the inner man. All men being grown-up children we then follow a personally conducted tour to closely inspect a large toy factory where are made many ingenious and comical toys which bring a laugh to the faces of the serious.

Thus erasing the traces of vexation cares and worries from all the troubled faces, we proceed to the Garden of Friendship, in which one touch of mankind makes the whole world kin. This is a beautiful garden where delightful friendships are cultivated and grown by strong, hearty hand-clasps and encouraging words to the faltering.

Having satisfied the inner man, the humorous side of man and the better side of man, we entrain again for another stop in Shrinedom called Kiddies.

What do we see here, — an enormous building, and as we approach it from the rear there is a long line of ambulances delivering crippled children on stretchers, in wheel chairs, or hobbling along with crutches and canes. Our hearts sink at the foreboding spectacle and we walk around to the front entrance when Hark! what do we see and hear; a group of sound, healthy children pouring out. Listen to their laughter and gaiety. They come marching forth by companies, then battalions, then regiments and then armies of thousands of sweet-faced resolute children who were formerly helpless.

Listen again! They are singing. The song is Glory, Glory, Hallelujah, We are Marching Home. The song grows louder and stronger as they approach, still louder and louder and nearer and nearer, until with a great crescendo the refrain ends in a paean that is echoed to heaven.

With hearts now full and eyes overflowing with tears, we fall on our knees with the benediction "God Bless Masonry that made the Shrine that made these little bodies whole again."

Shriners and Crippled Children

(An Editorial reprinted from the
Boston Herald-Traveler)

Pageantry and play were prominent in news stories of the Shrine convention at Washington.

The time is appropriate to call attention to the fact that all is not play in the organization. One activity alone indicates the good that is done.

Each of the 400,000 members contribute annually to a fund for the maintenance of 15 hospitals for crippled children. No barrier is placed before any crippled child, except the physical limits of the 15 institutions.

So play away with zest, gentlemen. Have a good time. You rate it.

Shrine Social Service And Your Hospital

By R. Nelson Hatt, Chief Surgeon

DURING the past twenty years the necessity for some type of social service, so-called, has been duly recognized as an integral part of hospital work and today all major institutions maintain such service in order that the treatment rendered by the hospital may not be lost or dissipated through lack of care or misunderstanding of instructions given at the



Noble R. Nelson Hatt
Chief Surgeon, Springfield Unit

time of discharge. Thus a contact with the hospital is maintained over a varying period according to the individual needs of the particular patient.

One important phase of this system is known as "follow-up", the patient returning to the hospital clinic at periodic intervals to insure the maximum benefit from his treatment and also, quite as important, to check the results of the surgical procedure.

Probably no hospital can excel your own Shrine Hospital in this matter of social service for practically every child who enters has his own individual "social worker" in the Noble who has signed his application and who feels a just pride in the service he is enabled to give one who otherwise might be denied an "equal chance". Our "follow-up" rarely fails and contact with the majority of the children is maintained until it seems assured that an "end result" has been secured.

My personal gratitude for your part in this most worthy project needs no amplification and may the blessings of Allah be with you for your answer to — "Am I my brother's keeper?"

HOUSES of MAGIC

"THE DAWN OF HAPPIER LIFE"

*He wondered where his money went
And where his kindly gift was spent
He'd never followed, day by day,
The dollars which he gave away.
And so they said: "Let's trace them down
And go with them about the town."
They led him to a crippled child
Who looked at him and bravely smiled.
He gazed on doctors, kind and wise
Restoring sight to little eyes.
He saw health start to glow again
On faces that were white with pain.
A brave boy stepped across the floor
Who had not walked before
In haunts of misery and strife
He saw the dawn of happier life.
"But few of these," said they, "would live
If men like you refused to give.
"If but one crippled child should smile
"You'd count your sacrifice worth while."
When asked to give, recall these scenes
And understand what giving means.*

(Copyrighted 1925)—Edgar A. Guest

NOBLE Edgar A. Guest has said the things we wish to say and said them so well in the above! Vividly he pictures the necessity for such Houses of Magic as the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children.

Have any of you who read this ever been broken in body for only a little while? Have you hitched about on crutches for a time, watched life go by while seated in a wheel chair or been compelled to hobble instead of walk? If you have, then you can perhaps visualize the tragedy of hopelessly crippled children living in a present of pain and bewilderment, facing a future of futility and bitterness.

FOLLOWERS OF THE GREATEST TEACHER

In Palestine a long time ago, the greatest of all lovers of his fellow men said: "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." In this day, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, dedicated to the betterment of the world, have taken the words of the Great Teacher literally. They are hunting through the highways and the byways of poverty and distress and bringing forth those unfortunate little ones unable to come to them.

In the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children these waifs find real homes. Institutional aloofness is buried beneath color and beauty, flowers and gardens, the warmth of loving kindness. Not only are the bodies twisted and unsightly among these unfortunate children, but all too often the little spirit is out of shape. Timid or overbold, shamed before the world, suffering with the misery of the unfit! Every effort is made to heal the wounded spirit of these socially maladjusted small folks, so they will walk forth in their new physical freedom with heads up and courage within their hearts. All sorts of amusing toys are given to those children able to use them that the spirit of play, often dormant in the unfortunate small invalids, may be awakened.

The schooling of the crippled child has usually been inadequate, unhappy, or neglected altogether. Hence measures are taken to bolster self-confidence and supplement the education of the young patients. Boards of Education furnish teachers who give class and bedside instructions, so that there is no time lost in the mental development of our charges. As much as possible, instruction is given as play; the strophied muscles are brought into action; articles are made by the children; manual dexterity is encouraged.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP PLAN

A Shriner who now pays \$60.00 for a life membership is exempt from all further assessments to the Shriners' Hospitals. He who receives his life membership could get the thrill of a life time by following the work this amount is able to accomplish in the remaking of a young life, in recreating the ability to pursue happiness in one of these little ones too handicapped to achieve greatly in this world of strife and struggle. Could every Noble — some 400,000 or more in North America — visualize the splendid endowment his \$60.00 share in this plan would create, there would be little fear of shortage in funds to carry on this great charity.

The fine feature of the Hospital Endowment Life Membership is that it carries on forever — and the Shriner's good deed lives after he has gone.

OBTAINING ADMITTANCE

Race, color and creed have no bearing whatever on obtaining admission to the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children.

Any child, of normal mentality, under fourteen years of age, in need of corrective treatment, and with parents unable to pay for necessary surgical attention, can gain admittance, providing there is hope of complete recovery or of benefiting the existing malformation.

A Noble living in the vicinity of the applicant investigates the financial rating of the family, gets the necessary application blank filled out by parents, family physician, and by the Noble investigating. The application is then forwarded to the nearest Unit to be carefully gone over by the local Chairman and Chief Surgeon. The financial rating of the parents is again checked by the Credit Bureau. If the Chief Surgeon thinks he can help the little applicant, and the financial investigation shows that the parents are unable to pay for correction elsewhere, the parents are requested to bring the child to the Out-Patient Department where the Chief Surgeon gives the child a thorough examination. If he finds a fighting chance for recovery or alleviation of the condition, the child's name is placed on the waiting list for admission. Should the case prove outside the province of our scope of work, the patient is recommended for treatment in a suitable institution.

Children are accepted according to the date of application. The only exceptions are emergency cases. Aside from cases where delay is extremely dangerous, there is no deviation from the rule of priority. Political pull or personal prestige are powerless to change the orderly routine.

HOW TO ENTER A CRIPPLED CHILD

No. 1 — Procure an application from the Recorder's office — have it properly filled out. Any Shriner can sign it. Return it to the Recorder.

No. 2 — The child must be under fourteen years of age.

No. 3 — Mentally normal.

No. 4 — Our Chief Surgeon must have reasonable hope of a material improvement in the child's condition.

No. 5 — The parents or guardian must be financially unable to pay for treatment for the child. The financial condition must be vouched for by a Noble and will be confirmed by financial and credit bureau reports.

No. 6 — All applications take their turn on the waiting list — no preferences shown.

No. 7 — Any child will be admitted without restriction as to race, creed or color.

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" . . and try His works to do."

By Fred E. Bolton, Past Potentate

Noble, have you ever visited a Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children?

If you have, you have found out that the Shrine has a Soul.

If you have not you should make it a duty to do so — for then you will have a new understanding and be grateful.



III. Noble Fred E. Bolton
Past Potentate and Hospital Keyman
Aleppo Temple.

If you have always had a sound body, as a boy, could run and play, and through your years have stood erect, you have only to see a little twisted body to be humble, and to wonder why it might not have been you.

You will have a chance to see what real courage is; to meet hope face to face, and to look into the eyes of a faith that you have helped to give some little child.

When a little face radiates a smile so sweet that it reflects a glimpse of Heaven itself, your heart will throb a resonant beat of joy for you will know that one of God's children is glad he has been given a chance.

Noble, please visit the Shriners' Hospital at Springfield. If you do, you have my word, you will thank the Master that you are a Shriner.

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The Growth of the Shriners' Hospitals

Started in 1921

SURPRISING growth sometimes follows a small beginning, and it was with the object of starting but one hospital for the treatment and relief of crippled children that Noble W. Freeland Kendrick, at Portland in 1920, advanced his idea of a small annual contribution from each member of the Shrine, for the purpose of establishing and developing such an institution. In 1921 the Imperial Council at its meeting in Des Moines, adopted a resolution authorizing the carrying out of this plan as recommended, the annual assessment of \$2.00 per year per member was decided upon as being sufficient to cover the expense of building, equipping and putting in operation such a hospital, and plans and arrangements were immediately formed toward the execution of this inspired charity.

A Board of Trustees to direct the undertaking seemed to be the first great need, and seven members were elected to constitute this Board, the first four Imperial Officers in succession subsequently being added. The Imperial Council instructed this Board of Trustees to conduct a thorough investigation covering the details of inaugurating such a project and the consideration of all requirements relating to the location and establishment of such an institution. Their first report was most re-assuring, the result of their investigations disclosing an appalling number of crippled children, their ranks increasing each year, who were in dire need of charitable assistance if they were ever to be relieved of their afflictions, their parents being financially unable to aid them. They also discovered that the income of \$2.00 per year per member would be sufficient to finance the building, equipment and operation of several hospitals, thus distributing the benefits to various sections of the country, all this adding greatly to their enthusiasm in the promulgation of their task.

Thus the greatest charity ever undertaken in the history of the world was brought to life, and the fifteen units of Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children now in operation demonstrate more fully each year how vital was the need of such institutions, and how forceful and earnest was the effort which developed them.

Much thought and consideration were given to the location of the hospitals, so that the territory served might be as extended as possible, the population of the districts chosen and the determination to locate units only in cities where Shrine Temples existed, being the main factors in the decisions finally reached.

The fifteen Units, Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children, stand surrounded by smooth lawns and handsome shrubbery. Inside the buildings all is bright, cheerful, and friendly. Each Hospital has striven to intensify this health-giving note of harmony and beauty.



Past Imperial Potentate W. Freeland Kendrick, Chairman of the National Board of Trustees of The Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children.

It is a Mighty Monument

By Past Imperial Potentate,
W. Freeland Kendrick

MANY of our members are ignorant of the great work for humanity that the Shriners of North America are doing for destitute crippled children. I think "our light has been hidden under a bushel" long enough and now I want the world to know that our Order has invested \$6,000,000, in real estate, buildings and equipment of fifteen Orthopedic Hospitals, containing eight hundred and fifty beds; that we have handled and cured or materially helped 17,000 destitute crippled children in these hospitals and we have treated 35,000 children, in addition, in the out-patient departments of the "Temples of Mercy". Tens of Thousands

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"Shriners Are All Right"

Ida M. Tarbell, Noted Writer, Pays a Wonderful Tribute to the Order

(One of the finest tributes that has yet been paid to the Shrine and its Nobility is that contained in an article by Ida M. Tarbell, the author and commentator in an issue of the Delineator. While some of the Nobles and members of their families doubtless have read the article in its complete form, herewith is presented the most salient excerpts, which doubtless will prove to be of interest to all of our readers, deeply interested as all are in the Order's great charity, the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children.)

Gets a New "Slant" Quite by Accident

DISCUSSING "The New Children's Crusade," Miss Tarbell writes:—"Examine the physical plague spots—destroying healthy childhood—and you will find that it is conceded by those who are trying to relieve or cure the victims that the numbers are slowly but surely decreasing, largely through the activities of the Children's Bureau. Take the crippled children—we get them at the rate of about fourteen thousand a year. There are many agencies, usually local, trying to do something. None that I know has gone to my heart like the Shriners' Hospitals.

"Part of my feeling is no doubt due to the fact that my accidental meeting with their work changed what had been a pet abomination into one of a profound admiration. No one who over a period of years has spent, as I have, a month or six weeks of every winter on a lecture tour, but has encountered the Shriners' conventions. It was my fortune to be constantly colliding with them. If I had not always been fagged and irritable on these barn-storming junkets, I should have enjoyed the Shriners' lusty celebrating, but hurried and self-centered as I was, I resented the way the train and the town belonged to them.

"A Shriners' red fez had come to be to me like the proverbial red flag to the bull, when some five years ago, I went to Shreveport, La., for a lecture. As usual the committed showed me the town. All I remember of that sight-seeing tour is the flood of pity and gratitude which swept over me as I went through the beautiful and well equipped hospital for Crippled Children, which the Shriners established there in 1922—saw little limbs that had been straightened or would be soon—the bedridden and helpless that had been brought to self-help, enjoyment of life—the sorrowful eyes turned glad. The visit left me weeping and laughing and set me to finding out what had started these gentlemen, whom

I had come to detest so wholeheartedly, on so magnificent an undertaking.

"Six hundred thousand of them, two dollars a year, meant a million two hundred thousand dollars.

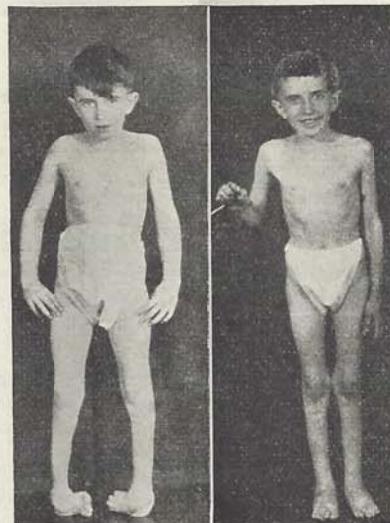
"They built the Shreveport hospital and had money to spare. Another year they built a second, then a third, and so on until now they have eleven, not to speak of the four "mobile units," as they call them, put up more or less temporarily in places where there is need—one in Honolulu. Over eleven thousand crippled children have been received by the Shriners' Hospitals since the first was built.

"The Shriners take the victims of disease and accident whenever there is a hope of curing or helping them, and when there is no one else to look after them."

A CASE HISTORY

An example of some of the miraculous work performed at our Shrine Hospitals.

EUGENE 8 Years old.



Before After
Diagnosis — Club feet.
In hospital 2 mo. 12 days.

HOME "SWEET" HOME

Lester was a good sized boy from an old style farm way back in a farming country. One morning the Doctor arrived while the lawns of the Hospital grounds were being treated to a dressing, for the time being throwing off a very offensive odor. Lester was standing on the parapet and the Doctor saw something wrong so said, "What is the matter Lester?" Lester replied, "Say, Doctor I am just plumb home sick, it smells just like home".

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President Roosevelt Visits Shrine Hospitals

Decorated By Crippled Child In Honolulu

EVEN were he not a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt would be deeply interested in the work of the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children, inasmuch as he himself was a victim of infantile paralysis. While in Honolulu last Summer

Temple. This is probably the first picture of the President wearing the Fez that has ever been published.

The little girl, one of the crippled children of the Hospital, whose head may be seen at the lower left has just presented Noble Roosevelt with a Hawaiian lei of



on his vacation cruise, one of the first events on his program was a visit to the Honolulu Unit of the Shriners' Hospitals. Returning to the mainland, the President, busy as he was, took time out to call on the kiddies in the Unit at Portland, Ore., and later at the Minneapolis-St. Paul Unit.

The interesting snapshot above, taken at the Honolulu Unit, is submitted by Noble Emory W. Krauthoefer, Assistant Rabban of Tripoli Temple, through the courtesy of Ill. Noble Mel A. Nicoll, a Past Potentate of Aloha Temple, Honolulu, and an Honorary Member of Tripoli

silk which she made for the occasion. The President was photographed as he was slipping the wreath over his head.

Others in the picture are (from left to right) Mrs. Gwendolyn Shaw, Superintendent of the Honolulu Unit of the Shriners Hospitals; Dr. Alfred L. Craig Chief Surgeon; Dr. F. J. Pinkerton, First Ceremonial Master, Aloha Temple; Past Potentate Harry N. Denison, Chairman of the board of Governors, Honolulu Unit; Past Potentate M. A. Nicoll, Aloha Temple; Past Potentate Lester Petrie of Aloha Temple.

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Mrs. Justin A. Duncan

Our very efficient and capable Chairman of the Whists, Mrs. Justin A. Duncan worked indefatigably and to her will be given the honor of presenting to George M. Hendee, Governor of the Hospital, on Sunday, July 21st, Aleppo's check for the above amount.

The Potentate of Aleppo wishes to sincerely thank those ladies who worked with Mrs. Duncan, those who held Whists at their homes too, and also those who graced these parties by their attendance.

**Aleppo Degree Staff to
Entertain Children at
Springfield Hospital**

Director Roy A. Faye called a special meeting of the Degree Staff Friday P.M., June 21st, for the purpose of organizing a program which is being arranged for the sole benefit of the Crippled Children in their Hospital in Springfield, Mass., to be held on Sunday, July 21st.

The boys were all enthusiastic at this opportunity to do something for the crippled children. Capt. Steadfast outlined the general plan, and the group will leave Boston (from Shrine Headquarters) providing their own transportation, at nine A.M., Sunday morning.

Noble Larry Coburn very kindly donated the use of his truck for the purpose of carrying the paraphernalia and costumes.

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The data given below is a record of the Springfield Unit since its opening February 21st, 1925

	Aleppo Temple Children
Total applications received since opening of Hospital.....	4,693 632
Total applications accepted since opening of Hospital.....	3,597 457
Total applications rejected, referred to other Shrine Units and awaiting information.....	1,096 175
Referred to Out Patient Department.....	1,122 68
Number now in Hospital.....	60 10
Number on waiting list.....	247 37
Total number children discharged including re-admissions..	2,942 435

Activities in Hospital Proper

Number of operations.....	4,399 707
Number of plaster casts applied.....	7,920 1,174
Number of X-Rays taken.....	7,208 940
Number of physiotherapy treatments.....	33,237 5,318
Number of pictures taken.....	11,472 1,699
Number of contagious diseases.....	123 14
Number of deaths.....	16 1

Dental Department

Number of fillings.....	2,512 396
Number of extractions.....	1,883 304
Number of cleanings.....	1,028 179

Laboratory

Number of blood examinations.....	2,849 442
Number of urine examinations.....	15,032 2,017
Number of bacterial examinations.....	2,036 292
Number of tuberculin tests.....	2,485 377

Activities of Out Patient Department

Cases now being treated in Out Patient Department.....	529 291
Number of visits to clinic.....	30,740 2,392
Number of plaster casts applied.....	1,834 72
Number of X-Rays taken.....	4,289 433
Number of physiotherapy treatments.....	22,317 287

Members of Staff covering clinic in Out Patient Department on Wednesday and Saturday mornings

3 Doctors	1 Stenographer
2 Internes	2 Attendants
1 Graduate Nurse	2 Physiotherapists
1 X-Ray and Laboratory Technician	

Total patients seen in Out Patient Department for one year.....	3,960
Number of active cases including discharges.....	2,016
Cases treated in Out Patient Department only.....	529

Outside clinics:

Lewiston, Me.....	74 cases	Albany, N. Y.....	132 cases
Providence, R. I.....	90 cases	Bangor, Me.....	143 cases

School Department

Number of children registered (Jan. 1 to June 1, 1935)	Boys.....	59
	Girls.....	65
		<u>124</u>

Total days attendance in the schoolroom (to June 1).....	2,097
Total bedside lessons (to June 1).....	1,400
Average number of children worked with daily.....	20
The city of Springfield supplies the Hospital with a teacher who gives her entire time to the teaching of the children.	

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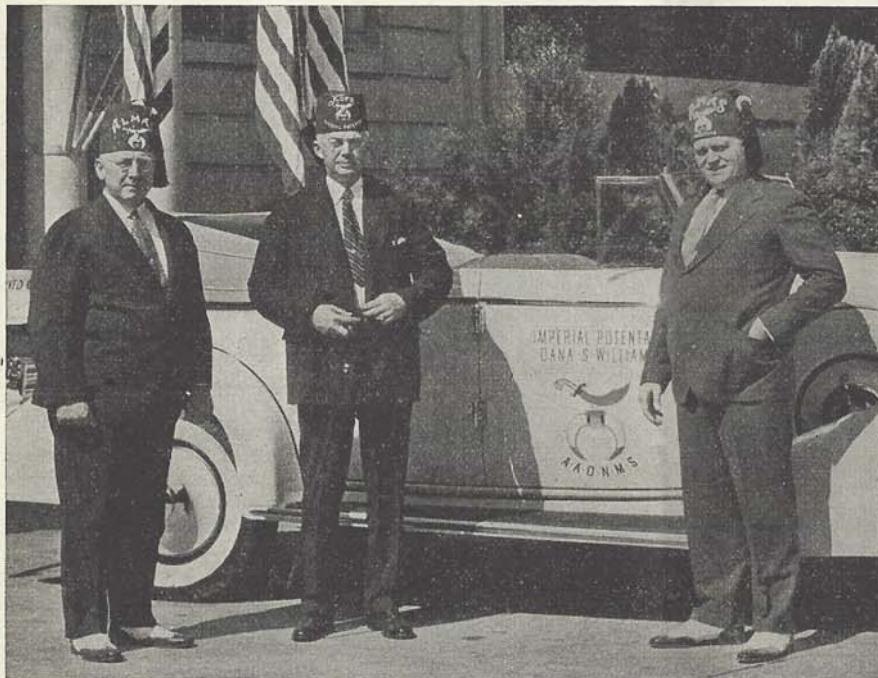
III. Noble Leonard P. Steuart Elected Imperial Potentate

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AT the Imperial Council Session held in Washington, D. C., June 9th to 15th, Illustrious Noble Leonard P. Steuart of that city was elected Imperial Potentate for the ensuing year to succeed Illustrious Noble Dana S. Williams of Kora Temple, Lewiston, Me. One of the most important

amplification of the various events during the week.

Standing beside the pure white Cadillac assigned to him is Imperial Potentate Dana S. Williams, center, whose title of America's highest ranking Shriner was conferred during the Convention upon



duties of an Imperial Potentate during his term of office is that of serving as a member of the National Board of Trustees of the Shriners' Hospitals.

General Motors Corporation made a very unusual contribution toward the success of the Convention by furnishing a fleet of three hundred and fifty official cars, with drivers, for the use of Shrine officials during the Convention, and by installing a public address system for the

Illustrious Noble Leonard P. Steuart, left. At the right is Illustrious Potentate Robert P. Smith, director general of the Convention.

The public address system was a remarkable installation and, so far as is known, was the largest ever used. It extended from Fourth Street on Pennsylvania Avenue to Seventeenth Street and the Avenue. Over this great area the Public was kept aware at all times of the major events of the Convention.



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Shrine Band Entertains at Three Hospitals

By Noble Charles C. Fearing

WE understand this issue of the paper is to be a "Hospital Number," and the band can qualify for a few notes along that line.

On Monday, June 10, the band went to the Veterans' Hospital at Bedford and gave a concert for the patients. Every time we have visited this institution it has rained, and this time was no exception. The weather was all wet, but not the band. Luckily the concert was given indoors so the weather did not bother us. It was a good performance and the audience was an appreciative one.

On Monday June 24, instead of holding our usual rehearsal, (which would be the last one of the season) we went to the McLean Hospital at Waverly, and gave a concert on the spacious lawn of that institution. (We are glad we don't have to mow that lawn.) It looked as though we were in for another rainy night, but the weather man relented, and after a few drops of rain fell the sun came out again and everything was serene. Doctor and Noble William F. Wood, of the McLean Hospital, has tried several times to get the band out there, but something always intervened to prevent. This time, however, he was successful and the band turned out in goodly numbers. The doctor expressed his appreciation in no uncertain terms.

On July 21, the band will give another concert in Springfield for the Crippled Childrens' Hospital, and we hope to have a good turn out in spite of the vacation season. We believe no sacrifice too great to make this affair a success, as we all have a warm spot in our hearts for those "kiddies" who have started life with a big handicap.

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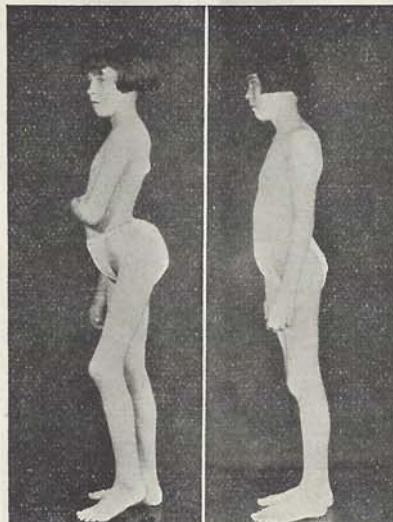
A UNIQUE BEQUEST

The recent death of Past Potentate Putnam Stevens of Portland, Me., brought home an instance of the intense interest that has been taken in the Springfield Unit. Noble Stevens' will directed that all his Imperial jewels be melted down and the gold content, together with the very valuable diamonds, be sold to provide a fund for the purchase of books for the children at the Springfield Hospital.

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Boy: "What are you going to do now."

Doctor: "Take a tuberculin test."

Boy: "Same as they do on keows."

Doctor: "Yes, same as they do on cows."

Not a whimper came from the boy. He submitted to the surgeon's demands with the stoicism of an Indian. After all was over and the doctors were about to depart the boy burst into tears. This was hard to understand after having been so brave throughout the whole business. "And now what's the matter," queried Dr. Hatt. Between sobs the boy replied, "I was just thinking how it was going to hurt when you put the tag in my ear same as they do with keows."



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What One Past Potentate Knows

By Ill. Noble R. C. Barlow,
Past Potentate, Afifi Temple

"I have a little nine year old niece, the brightest, cutest little girl you ever saw — that is, she was until stricken with infantile paralysis a few months ago. Now she is lying flat on her back, legs paralyzed, in an orthopedic hospital. A gloomy picture indeed, but it would be still more gloomy, were it not for the knowledge of the wonderful results obtained by modern orthopedic hospitals, at the top of which are the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children.

"When it comes right home to you, as it has to me, believe me Nobles, you just thank God that you are privileged to do your small part in supporting such a wonderful charitable undertaking. The best part of it is that it is the outgrowth of good wholesome fun. When you pay your dues and attend the meetings of the Shrine, you have a whale of a lot of good fun and fellowship — and I have just a little bit better time when I realize that in so doing I'm helping some one like my little niece to have some fun again.

"Nobles, if you want to go to bed with a clear conscience, keep up your Shrine dues — keep that little two dollars going to the hospitals with the knowledge that you're doing your bit, and you'll have no trouble in getting your money's worth out of the other ten."



Youngsters in Shriners' Hospital at Christmas time all looking for Santa Claus

Don't forget, Nobles, that Aleppo Temple to which you pay \$12.00 Annual dues is a part of the organization through which Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children were founded and are being carried on. Don't relinquish your Shrine membership. Pay your dues and assessment that these Hospitals may live.

Record Number of Crippled Kiddies at Dr. Hatt's Clinic

Among the many duties of the Chief Surgeon of the Hospital is that of holding clinics at several outlying cities in New England. These clinics are a long, hard days work for the Doctor as will be seen from the following account of a recent clinic held at Bangor, Maine.

"Saturday, May 25th, was a long and arduous day for Dr. R. Nelson Hatt, Chief Surgeon of the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children at Springfield, who examined 166 kiddies during his clinic held that day at the Bangor House, Bangor, Maine. The Doctor began his work at 6 in the morning; he finished at about 6 at night, with only a brief time out for dinner — and what a lot of work he accomplished in those hustling hours!

"The crippled kiddies at the clinic represented practically all sections of Anah Temple's jurisdiction. Most of them had been treated earlier at the Hospital and came to the clinic for observation and further directional aid; others came for examination prior to hospital acceptance. It is a joy to witness the happy meetings of the Doctor and his erstwhile patients, and to see how cleverly and expertly he handles each case."

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A Mighty Monument (continued from Page 7)

of X-rays have been taken, a larger number of casts have been applied. Braces, leg-irons, orthopedic shoes and other equipment have been furnished — all free of charge to destitute crippled little souls who never would have had a chance in the race of life had it not been for the Shriners of North America.

Nobles, this is a mighty monument.

This merciful work for crippled children, regardless of race, color or religion is a credit to the Order of the Mystic Shrine, and should be a source of pride for every member. The Shrine was the first to organize a mighty effort to rescue the crippled child, and in making a survey can find no others that are doing anything comparable to our efforts.

We ask no thanks from the little ones we have salvaged and whose broken bodies we have mended, but we do want the members of our Order who are paying for this humanitarian work and the public in general, who are becoming more and more interested, to know that the Shriners of North America are doing this gratuitously and with one thought in mind—the saving of the destitute crippled child.

The efficiency of Shriners' Hospitals and the miracles accomplished by their Chief Surgeons have become sufficiently known to have caused our fifteen Units to be filled to capacity and with an ever-increasing waiting list, which now numbers approximately 2,100. The sad appeal, "Please hurry and take my baby into your Hospital," is a familiar one to those in charge of the various units.

It is because we have done such a "splendid job" that the Hospitals should receive increased support. On account of the decrease in our membership, the annual yield for the maintenance of these "Temples of Baby Smiles" has severely diminished and has already reached a point where outside assistance has been needed. I am encouraged to believe that if the members of our great Order had the slightest conception of the God-given work and the miracles being accomplished in the Shriners' Hospitals there would be tremendous increases in bequests, in wills, and immediate contributions to support and carry on this most deserving work.

Additional Units are needed, together with increased bed capacity and other facilities in the Units now established — if we are to meet the demands which are being made upon us. I realize that we cannot expand our work at this time, but let us continue, at least, the work we are now doing for the most pathetic of all human beings.

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The Shrine Hospital is doing that very thing, just another instance of the efficiency of the organization which has done so much for unfortunate children. If you haven't been there, you owe it to yourself as a Shriner to pay the hospital a visit.

Mary Is Well Now

Mary was just a wisp of a little girl. She had golden locks, the bluest of eyes. Certainly home was much brighter with Mary around either at play or in repose. Life was such fun, although, of course, she had never reasoned the thing out.

But one day something came along to darken her days. Mary found she couldn't play as other children did. Her little legs refused to work when she wanted to run; her arms no longer responded when she desired something. They told her about the thing that had suddenly crept into her life. It had such a long name and it was all so puzzling.

Mary's case was typical of many others that have been brought to the attention of the surgeons at Springfield's Unit of the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children. Infantile paralysis was an old story. They thought they might do something for Mary.

One of the most interesting departments at the Hospital is that of physiotherapy. To the attention of its two qualified physiotherapists came Mary. It was a long, slow process that was opened up for Mary, but they told her she would get well, if she helped, and so she was started on her way back to health.

Most children, even when paralyzed by the disease, can make motions in water. Buoyancy has much to do with it and the first step was taken in a special

tank. Exercise of arms and legs and trunk muscles all came into play.

Followed treatment with illuminous heat until the skin became a glowing pink. Soon it became apparent that the water treatments were doing their part and they were discontinued. But the call for exercise and exercise and more exercise continued.

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For Mary it was a case of constant regulation, regular exercise and variation. When it became apparent that she would be able to learn to walk all over again, Mary was taken to the "Walkers" metal frames to which she might cling while making those new steps.

Progress was extremely slow but still there was progress. There came the time when she might use crutches. Confidence returned and it was decided that Mary might return home. She had been at the hospital for nearly a year and when taken home, the cure was practically complete

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MARY IS WELL NOW

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so far as was humanly possible to
accomplish.

Mary's father and mother were told of
the proper exercises to carry out at home.
They were told it was necessary to keep
everlastingly at it and they were only
too glad to follow out instructions.
Frequently Mary came back to the hospital
for a checking from the doctors
but like all good stories that end well,
even that was dispensed with. Mary today
is romping around like any other healthy
girl. She is but one of thousands who have
benefited by the Shriners' Hospitals for
Crippled Children.

Youngsters Keen About Tinfoil

A FEW days ago in down town Boston
a car owner returned to his parking
space to find waiting beside the automobile
a bright young boy who at once asked him
to move the car. On being questioned,
"Why?", the youngster replied, "Because
I see some cigarette packages under the car
and I want to get the tinfoil from them for
the Shriners' Hospital." The car owner, a
Shriner, hastened to move his car!

Perhaps your children, or boys and girls
of whom you know, can be enlisted in this
worthwhile cause. It is a fine outlet for a
youngster's enthusiasm for collecting.

DIFFERENT KINDS OF "ANTS"

This youngster had come to the hospital
suffering from burns. In the healing
process the right arm had practically
grown to her side and Dr. Hatt had been
forced to do considerable skin grafting
in order to make it possible for the arm
to be brought back into use again.

Naturally there was plenty of stitches.
Came time when Dr. Hatt set about the
task of removing these stitches which
were pretty close together and the Doctor
said, "It feels like little ants biting,
doesn't it?" It hurt the little girl and
she told the Doctor so.

"Were you ever bitten by ants?"
queried the surgeon.

"I've got lots of them, but they never
bite me," the little girl responded.

"But, what about your grandmothers?"
continued Dr. Hatt as he went on with
his work.

"Grandmothers?" she answered.
"They're all right. They couldn't bite
anyway. You see they have no teeth."

INFORMATION FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO AID THE HOSPITAL WORK

The Board of Trustees of the Shriners'
Hospitals for Crippled Children is frequently
asked for information by the legal
representatives of friendly disposed Nobles
and friends who wish to aid the Shriners'
movement by making contributions in
their wills. The information sought is
usually as to the surest method of leaving
sums of money to further the work.

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it perfectly plain what should be done,
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